PREVENTION TRAINING RESOURCES

Child abuse prevention professionals can use these resources to maintain or enhance their skills, or increase program options in their communities.

STATE RESOURCES:

Child Advocacy Centers of Virginia: CACs provide child-friendly, child-focused services for victims of child abuse. Information on training and starting a CAC is available on this website: www.cacva.com

Partnership for People with Disabilities: Based at Virginia Commonwealth University, the Partnership offers interdisciplinary and online training on abuse and neglect of children and adults with developmental disabilities. www.vcu.edu/partnership

Prevent Child Abuse Virginia: PCAV aims to eliminate child abuse and neglect by strengthening families and promoting positive parenting, through providing education and support. Trainings listed on their website include *Healthy Families Virginia Core Training, Home Visitor Skills Training*, and *Circle of Parents*. www.pcav.org

Square One - A Division of the Virginia Business Coalition on Health: Sponsored by Old Dominion University's Darden School of Education, its mission is to ensure that all school age children enter school healthy and ready to succeed. www.sqone.org

Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services: Provides Children's Justice Act Training on improving investigation and prosecution of child abuse, and interviewing skills with child victims. www.dcjs.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Health: This state agency's division on injury and violence prevention provides injury, violence and sexual abuse training and the *STOP IT NOW* campaign aimed at preventing child sexual abuse. It also provides free materials and resources for schools and healthcare providers. www.vahealth.org/injury

Virginia Institute for Social Services Training Activities (VISSTA): VISSTA provides training in a variety of areas including, but not limited to, adult services, child care, child welfare, and domestic violence. http://www.vcu.edu/vissta/

Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation: Youth smoking prevention training includes: *Advanced Prevention*, *Building a Child's Self –Esteem and Self-Efficacy*, and *Designing Effective Program Strategies for Youth*. www.vtsf.org/registration/upcoming-programs.asp

Virginia Youth Violence Project: Sponsored by the University of Virginia, this program examines effective methods for youth violence prevention and school safety. The website provides statistics and other information concerning school safety, and training in student threat assessment. http://youthviolence.edschool.virginia.edu/

NATIONAL RESOURCES:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): This online source provides reliable health information. The CDC also offers a Public Health Training Network (PHTN) that provides online training and webcasts about health issues and concerns. Issues addressed in training include HIV/AIDS, smoking, immunization and hearing loss. www2a.cdc.gov/phtn/

Child Welfare Information Gateways: This tool is provided by the Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It provides access to information and resources to strengthen families and help children. www.childwelfare.gov

Communities That Care: Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSA), this website provides toolkits designed to empower communities to use advances from prevention science to guide their prevention efforts. All training and implementation materials for this public health-based prevention model are available for use at no cost. http://ncadi.samhsa.gov/features/ctc/resources.aspx

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) Pathways: This site lists a variety of free prevention trainings for professionals and the general public. Continuing education credits are available. www.pathwayscourses.samhsa.gov/

Foundations of Prevention: This is the basic core of prevention science and gives tools for practicing prevention. https://preventionplatform.samhsa.gov/Macro/CSAP/dss_portal/Templates_redesign/start.cfm

Family Resource Information, Education and Network Development Services (FRIENDS): Provides training and technical assistance to federally funded Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) programs. This site serves as a resource to those programs and to the rest of the Child Abuse Prevention community. www.friendsnrc.org/

i-LEARN(i-SAFE) America: This website has partnered with Microsoft to provide online training for educators/professionals, seniors, parents, mentors and law enforcement officials. Learn about internet safety and become a certified trainer with the i-SAFE program through a free online educational training. http://ilearn.isafe.org

Maternal and Child Health Bureau: Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, this website provides information for professionals who work with mothers, children, and families, including training resources related to the health of mothers and children. www.mchcom.com

National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice: Promotes the mental health awareness of youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. www.ncmhjj.com/training/#online

National Children's Advocacy Center (NCAC): Provides educational information about child abuse for parents, children, and professionals who work with children. Training for professionals includes: *Developmental Perspectives on Child Sexual Behavior in Children and Adolescents, Profiling the Child Molester*, and *Standards for Prevention Programs*. www.nationalcac.org/professionals

National Children's Alliance: Supports communities in providing coordinated investigation and comprehensive response to victims of severe child abuse. This site provides a comprehensive training catalogue for Children's Advocacy Centers. www.nca-online.org/pages/page.asp?page id=4510

National Community Anti-Drug Coalition Institute: Provides prevention training materials. Classes include coalition building, sustainability, cultural competence, and media advocacy. www.coalitioninstitute.org/

National Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health: This site provides training including *Parent Professional Partnerships* and *The World of Evaluation*. http://www.ffcmh.org/

New England Adolescents Research Institute: Offers training for professionals who care for children with emotional disturbance, trauma, neurological challenges, and learning disabilities. www.neari.com/trainingcenter

Portland State University: Houses a Research and Training Center that serves as a national resource on the improvement of mental health services to children and families. www.rtc.pdx.edu

University of South Florida: The Research and Training Center for Children's Mental Health works to strengthen the empirical foundations for effective systems of care, and to improve services for children with serious emotional or behavioral disorders, and their families. http://rtckids.fhhl.usf.edu